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C O N F I D E N T I A L BOMBAY 3218

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: J.P.NARAYAN'S HEALTH

1. MINOO MASANI, WHO HAS REMAINED IN VERY CLOSE TOUCH WITH J.P. NARAYAN SINCE JP'S ARRIVAL IN BOMBAY, CONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS THAT NARAYAN MAY LEAVE THE HOSPITAL FOR HIS BROTHER'S HOME DEC 24 OR THEREABOUTS. ACCORDING TO MASANI, THERE IS SOME DISAGREEMENT AMONG DOCTORS AND FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHETHER NARAYAN SHOULD LEAVE THE HOSPITAL SINCE HE WILL CONTINUE TO REQUIRE DIALYSIS THREE TIMES A WEEK AND WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN BACK TO JASLOK FOR THE TREATMENT. SOME FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS AND SOME OF THE DOCTORS BELIEVE THIS WILL FINISH HIM OFF, BUT THE JASLOK KIDNEY SPECIALIST APPARENTLY HAS DECIDED THAT HE CAN GO.

2. MASANI ALSO INFORMED US THAT THE QUESTION OF A US KIDNEY SPECIALIST TO EXAMINE JP HAS BEEN DISCUSSED BY THOSE CLOSE TO NARAYAN. NO DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN, BUT MASANI INDICATED THAT THE GROUP HAS THE NAME OF A KIDNEY SPECIALIST AT THE WASHINGTON MEDICAL CENTER--A DOCTOR PARRIP--WHO HAS INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO COME TO BOMBAY IF THE GROUP REQUESTS THAT HE DO SO.
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